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FOR: SHIFTING DEVICE

Enclosed are:

[X] Specification and Abstract - 26 pages.

[X] Drawings - 7 sheets (Figs. 1-12).

[X] Executed Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney.

Information Disclosure Statement and Form PTO-1449 with 2 cited references. [X]

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